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**Applicants** : Todd P. Beach et al.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**Sir:**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2003. Additionally, Applicants herein Petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner charge the fee of \$420.00, to cover the extension of time fee from October 2, 2003 to December 2, 2003, to Deposit Account No. 19-1853. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-1853.

**Please amend the above-identified application as follows:**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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